



## GRANTS HELP GREEN MOUNTAIN NF REPAIR INFRASTRUCTURE AND EMPLOY DISPLACED WORKERS

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In 2011, the Green Mountain National Forest received four grants from the Vermont Department of Labor (DOL) to repair infrastructure damaged during Tropical Storm Irene. The grants span two years and will allow displaced local workers to gain on-the-job training.

As of June 2012, five projects have been completed utilizing the DOL work force. Two more projects are slated for summer 2012 implementation. Trail improvements completed by DOL laborers led to the reopening of the popular Robert Frost Recreation Trail, which had been closed for public safety. Enhancements such as repairs, maintenance, and improved universal access have been made to other sites as well. Work has been completed on a snowmobile trail, campground, scenic overlook, and a developed recreation site.



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